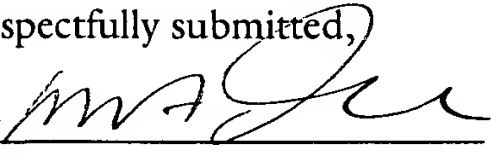


**REMARKS**

Claims 1-34 have been canceled, without prejudice. Claims 35-39 have been added. Claims 35-39 are now pending. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the original claims and other claims in this and other applications.

This amendment is being filed together with a Request for Continued Examination, Petition for Extension of Time (one-month), and corresponding fees. Please reconsider the above-referenced application in light of the newly added claims. Favorable action is solicited and a Notice of Allowance thereof is respectfully requested.

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